

## **Neighborhood Associations Council of Clark County (NACCC) February 9, 2004 Meeting Minutes**

Doug Ballou, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and invited introductions:

Attendance: Dick Durland, Sherwood Hills; Holly Gaya, Clark County Information and Outreach; Doug Ballou, Chairman of NACCC; Bud Van Cleve, NE Hazel Dell; Robyn Kim, Greater Brush Prairie; George Vartanian, Fairgrounds; Bridget Schwarz, Friends of Clark County; Art Stubbs, Green Meadows; Ron Price, Pleasant Highlands; Don Wasler; Kristi Weber; and Daniel Hart, Clark County Meth Action Team.

**2004 State of the County Address** This year's State of the County Address was given by Commissioner Betty Sue Morris, Chair. She focused on the county's budget and the potential impacts of additional cuts.

**Spirit of Clark County Awards** Bud Van Cleve received the Spirit of Clark County Award for establishing the Adopt-A-Park Program. NE Hazel Dell Neighborhood Assoc. adopted Tenny Creek Park, the pilot park for the program. Doug Ballou also received a Spirit of Clark County Award for over 15 years of service to Clark County. Both recipients are deserving of our gratitude for the countless hours they give to our community.

**Garage sale sign ordinance** A draft ordinance was presented by Kristi Webber, a student at Clark College. Comments from the group indicated that they didn't feel that an ordinance would be the best approach. However, a recommendation was made that the information be included in The Columbian's garage sale packet for residents planning a garage sale. Most members felt that people living in area could easily remove and dispose of outdated garage sale signs. Kristi will prepare an informational article and send to us for distribution to Neighborhood Associations to include in future newsletters.

**Clark County Methamphetamine Action Team**--Daniel Hart, Coordinator, presented the accomplishments and goals of the Meth Action Team. Last year the team focused on community education and outreach. They have information posted on billboards throughout the county, on C-Tran buses and on the Fox News network. Daniel also works with a Youth Meth Team. He provided educational materials for NACCC members including the Meth Prevention Cookbook which includes recipes for community safety. For more information about the Clark County Meth Action Team, contact Daniel Hart at 397-6079.

**2004 Neighborhoods USA Conference**—Reminder that applications to attend the 2004 conference in Hollywood Florida were sent to all neighborhood associations and are due by March 15, 2004. Those selected, will be notified by April 2, 2004. Doug asked that anyone not planning to attend the conference, contact him about

participating on the selection committee. Application forms are available on the Vancouver City Neighborhood Office web site at:

<http://www.ci.vancouver.wa.us/neighborhoods/nusa.html>

Art Stubbs announced that the Dept. of Fish & Wildlife has grant money available for improving environmental protection. Art is currently serving on the Clean Water Commission.

Bud Van Cleve, NE Hazel Dell Neighborhood Association. There will be a public meeting hosted by Natural Gardeners on March 13 at 4700 NE & 78<sup>th</sup> Street conference room. Bud has volunteered Tenny Creek Park for natural gardening demonstrations.

Bud also told NACCC members about the GATE Program through the Vancouver School Dist. The students are anxious to help neighborhoods prepare their newsletters for mailing. If you would like more information, contact Bud Van Cleve at [BSVANC@aol.com](mailto:BSVANC@aol.com) or 695-1466.

Dick Durland, Sherwood Hills Neighborhood Association, has volunteered to serve on the Clark County Web Committee. He will be the official neighborhood representative.

George Vartanian would like to see something done to better impact legislation.

Bridget outlined the Kittleson Engineering proposed traffic plan. However, nothing has been decided,. George Vartanian and Bridget Schwarz are currently attending the Amphitheater traffic management meetings.

Robyn Kim, Greater Brush Prairie Neighborhood Association. Everything is pretty quiet since the meeting with Lakeside Industries. Robyn will be writing the neighborhood newsletter.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m. on March 8, 2004 at 4700 NE 78th Street.

Reviewed and Edited by Doug Ballou, Chairman, NACCC  
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